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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Krzysztof Malowaniec et al

Appln. No. : 09/509,535

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For : COMPOSITE, ITS USE, AND
METHOD FOR ITS PRODUCTION



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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of May 17, 2002 and the references received subsequent to said Office Action..

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 with the following:

- Technical Field

B1 The invention relates to a composite material for forming a liquid-retaining layer in a hygiene article or a medical product, having a first layer of substantially continuous staple fibers with a diameter of 15 to 35 μm , and having a second film layer.

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